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Central library locations get narrowed down

- Five places under consideration for new central library
- Council members will receive an update next week

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After years of little to no progress, the potential for a new central library is inching closer as sites are narrowed down — one of which is the old science centre, according to one alderman.

Ald. Shane Keating said he believes the Telus World of Science on 11 Street SW, which is set to relocate this fall, would be an ideal location for the new central branch.

"What I've heard is one site they're looking at is the old science centre," he said. "I think that's a fabulous idea."

Calgary Public Library CEO Garry Meek remained mum on specific sites but said progress is being made, and he would love to see sod turned on the new facility as early as next year.

"We're in the process of going through an evaluation process on some different sites," he said. "We're very close, we're working very hard at it."

A city committee heard from Meek and several other community stakeholders yesterday during a decision over how to allocate $42 million of the education portion of property tax dollars, which was recently returned to the city by the province.

Ald. Druh Farrell, a member of the library board, said even a part of that money could go a long way in moving the new central library forward.

"It's at the top of my list," she said.

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▶ The old science centre could be one of the buildings to house the new Central Library.

Maintenance cost

- Life-cycle maintenance on the current central library is estimated at over $50 million and will need to begin in the next five years, said CEO Gary Meek.

Flames. Oilers

▶ The Edmonton Oilers' Teemu Hartikainen lifts the Calgary Flames' Cory Sarich off his skates during the game last night. The Flames won 6-1. Story, page 25.

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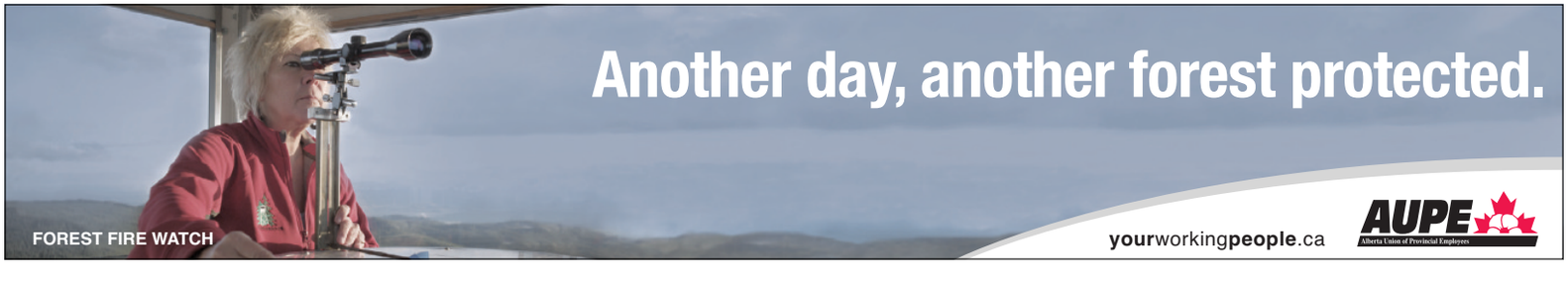

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Filmmaker says it was all a misunderstanding

Twitchell admits to killing but says it was self-defence Tried to simulate crime in his film

An amateur filmmaker admitted yesterday he lured a total stranger to a garage, knifed him to death, cut up the body and dumped it down a sewer, but he said it was all done in self-defence when a movie publicity stunt went wrong.

Twitchell, 31, is charged in the death of Johnny Altinger on Oct. 10, 2008. He has pleaded not guilty.

The Crown has argued that Twitchell lured Altinger to a residential garage that night and killed and dismembered him to match a movie shot in the same garage by Twitchell and his buddies two weeks earlier.

The Crown has also entered into evidence a text document found deleted on Twitchell's laptop hard drive that details an unnamed author's plan to explore his "dark side" and become a serial killer.

Twitchell said the garage movie, called House of Cards, gave him the idea that eventually got out of hand.

The eight-minute slasher flick revolves around a philandering husband who goes to meet a woman he met online. But instead he is Tasered, abducted by a mysterious man in a hockey mask and killed. The killer later hacks up the victim's body parts.

Twitchell told jurors that after the movie was shot he came up with a plan to generate buzz around the films he planned to make after House of Cards: He would put real people through the same experience as the House of Cards victim, but not kill them.

He testified that on Oct. 3, 2008, he posed as an Internet date online to lure his first stranger, Gilles Tetreault, to the garage.

Twitchell said he had bought knives and created a "kill room" with plastic sheets on the walls and table to catch blood that was part of the hoax.

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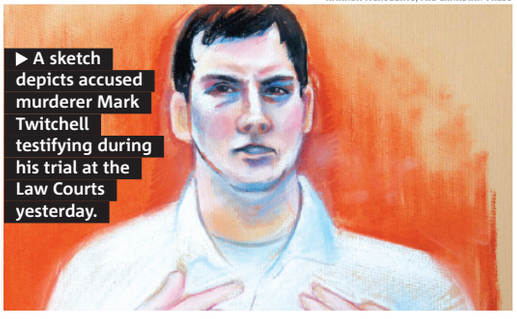

▶ A sketch depicts accused murderer Mark Twitchell testifying during his trial at the Law Courts yesterday.

He said the plan was to surprise Tetreault, tell him it was all make-believe and ask him to write about it on the web.

Tetreault testified last week that when he got to the garage a man in a hockey mask tried to incapacitate him with a stun baton. He told court he fought back and managed to escape. Twitchell agreed that was pretty much what happened.

A week after that, Twitchell said, he lured Altinger, 38, to the same garage on the same premise.

But when Altinger arrived, Twitchell said he had reverted to his original plan of telling him it was a hoax and asking him to write about it on the web.

Altinger, he said, "did not seem humoured at it."

"It really comes down to trying to run away from something I should've faced head-on from the start." MARK TWITCHELL

The two began swearing at each other. Altinger called him "pathetic." Twitchell called him a lovelorn loser. Altinger then kicked him and the fight was on, he said.

Twitchell said he grabbed a pipe and smashed Altinger on the forehead before Altinger wrested the pipe from him and set to hit him back. Twitchell testified he grabbed a nearby hunting knife and thrust out in self-defence.

"It was the sickest feeling ever," Twitchell told court, fighting back tears and biting his lip.

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If they fund it, it will come

One alderman will be advocating for funding as the city waits to hear if Calgary has been chosen as the 2012 Cultural Capital of Canada.

Rather than waiting for a decision from the federal government in October, Ald. Brian Pincott will be requesting that the city allocate roughly $2 million for 2012 cultural celebrations.

"It just makes sense for us to go for it," he said, sighting the centennial anniversaries of the Calgary Stampede, the Calgary Public Library and the city's parks department all coming in 2012.

"Let's celebrate Calgary all year long."

Pincott will bring his notice of motion forward on Monday.

KATIE TURNER

News in brief

Board votes to close school

NORTHWEST. Calgary Board of Education trustees have voted to close Montgomery School in the northwest, according to a release.

The closure will take effect at the conclusion of the current school year and will see the majority of students currently attending the junior high school transferred to F.E. Osborne School.

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Stricter rules needed: Study

Motion on campaign finance reform coming next month from Ald. Pincott

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▶ According to the Better Calgary analysis, only six 2010 municipal candidates properly carried forward their surpluses from 2007. They include aldermen Colley-Urquhart, Farrell, Pincott, and former aldermen Craig Burrows, front left, and Ric McIver, back centre.

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Several candidates in last year's municipal election failed to properly forward funds from their 2007 campaign, according to a report from Better Calgary.

The analysis, released yesterday, compared the campaign finance disclosures between 2007 and 2010 and found significant variances for several previous and current aldermen.

"When compared to 2010 ... it appears that some of their surpluses were not carried forward," said Chris Harper of Better Calgary.

Although no one has disobeyed the law, Ald. Brian Pincott said this highlights the need for more definite rules around campaign financing.

The report stated Ald. John Mar ended his 2007 campaign with a more than $83,000 deficit but began his 2010 campaign with a forwarded amount of zero dollars.

"I think the process that we originally had is actually superior to the one that's being put forward," said Mar. "I'll comply with the financing rules whatever they may be."

In the report

- Ald. Dale Hodges had the largest variance with a disclosed surplus of $74,173 in 2007 and a forwarded surplus of zero dollars in 2010.
- Former alderman Joe Connelly had a 2007 deficit of $17,355 but began his 2010 campaign with more than $18,000 — a variance of more than $36,000.

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Top chefs gear up for show

Canadian version will premiere on Food Network April 11 A total of 16 Canadian chefs were chosen

Despite knowing the outcome of Top Chef Canada Calgarians Rebekah Pearse and Connie DeSousa are a little nervous about appearing on national television.

The two chefs were amongst the competitors on the inaugural season of the Canadian version of the show and say it's been tough keeping the secret since filming wrapped in the fall of 2010.

"That was the hardest thing because so many people knew I was applying but then the moment the word came through that you were accepted, suddenly you can't say anything about anything anymore," said Pearse, former owner of Nectar Desserts. "It's a strange and stressful process."

With the show set to premiere on Monday, DeSousa said she's getting butterflies about seeing how the show comes together.

"I think we're both very nervous," said the co-owner of Charcut. "While we were both there and know everything that happened, we don't know how they're going to cut it."

KATIE TURNER/METRO

▶ Top Chef Canada competitors Connie DeSousa, left, and Rebekah Pearse, both of Calgary, are eagerly anticipating the show's premiere on Monday.

Both plan to watch the first episode with friends and family at their restaurants but neither of them will divulge anything about the show's outcome.

"It's going to be a really good show and a big part of that is the surprise."

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Leaders take heat

Ignatieff dumps candidate after remark Tories grilled over ejections

Election 2011

A Liberal candidate who once described aboriginals as "featherheads" and questioned their work ethic was dumped yesterday.

The Liberals jettisoned Andre Forbes, a candidate in a Quebec riding where they placed a distant third in the last election.

Forbes got the boot after leader Michael Ignatieff was questioned about the candidate's previous role as founder of a group called the Association for the Rights of Whites.

"The reported remarks of this candidate are utterly unacceptable," Ignatieff said. "They do not reflect Liberal values."

Forbes is also a member of Metis Côte-Nord, which denounced "special treatment" for minorities.

"Mr. Forbes' comments have no place within the Liberal party."
MICHAEL IGNATIEFF

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Stephen Harper took heat for his own party's ejection tactics.

For a third day, he was questioned about why people with links to the Liberals or NDP are being kicked out of his events.

His reply: Because the rooms are too crowded.

"Far more people come out to hear us than the other guys have," Harper said in Markham, Ont., a vital battleground.

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▶ Joanna MacDonald, a fourth-year environmental sciences student at Guelph University, says she was barred from a school event featuring Stephen Harper likely because of her environmental activism. "I was really shocked and kind of horrified that I was screened," she says.

TV DEBATES

12-minute bout for Ignatieff

Michael Ignatieff will get the one-on-one showdown he wants with Stephen Harper — sort of.

Iggy will face off against the prime minister for a total of 12 minutes in next week's nationally televised campaign debates.

All four leaders will get face time with each of their opponents during Tuesday's English debate and the April 14 French debate — both of which are returning to a more traditional format.

Gone is the round table from the 2008 debates that was supposed to liven up the discussion. The lecterns are back.

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Nelly's tweets have voters all a-Twitter

Nelly Furtado has launched a Twitter campaign to encourage young people to vote in the federal election.

The 32-year-old Victoria songstress has tweeted about almost nothing else in the past week.

She has dished out tips to students who will be voting outside their riding, linked out-of-country citizens to forms on the Elections Canada website and has reminded her nearly two million followers about non-democratic countries where citizens aren't allowed to vote.

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Party stripes will not matter in rally: May

Canadians angry about consortium's decision to hold her out of debates, Green party leader says

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▶ Elizabeth May

It doesn't matter if you bleed green, Tory blue, Liberal red, or NDP orange. Elizabeth May wants everyone to come out in what she calls supporting democracy.

The federal Green party leader is holding five "rallies for democracy" across the country over the next five days. This, she said, after all efforts to be included in next week's two national leaders' debates came up short.

May is hoping to raise Green party support at the rallies, but also said yesterday people of all political parties and backgrounds are welcome to come talk about what really matters to Canadians.

"I'd love to see all people come — see NDP and Liberal and even Conservative candidates if they feel like coming," she said in a phone interview yesterday. "We'll give them the microphone. This is about democracy."

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▶ Governor General David Johnston holds a new coin he struck at the Royal Canadian Mint in Ottawa yesterday. The Royal Canadian Mint unveiled its latest collector coins commemorating the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton.

New coins salute royal wedding

The Royal Canadian Mint has unveiled a pair of collector coins commemorating the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton.

The two coins marking the planned April 29 royal nuptials — a $20 silver coin and a 25-cent piece — go on sale April 18 and May 2 respectively, but the mint is taking orders now.

The design of the $20 coin, created by portrait artist Laurie McGaw of Guelph, Ont., includes a sapphire-coloured crystal embedded within, reminiscent of the 18-carat engagement ring worn by Kate.

The nickel-plated 25-cent piece — which will cost $25.95 — has a coloured photo reproduction of the royal couple based on a photograph taken at the 2008 wedding of a friend in Austria.

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PRICEY DIVORCE

It costs to unwed in Romania

The Romanian town of Sangeorgiu de Mures, where many of the 8,000 residents are Catholic, is charging a whopping 10,000 lei ($3,370) for divorces — 2,000 times what it would cost in the capital. Several months ago, a new law went into effect allowing some couples to be divorced by town hall officials. Each municipality can set the fee, and huge discrepancies have emerged.

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Tot made honorary governor

A New Jersey four-year-old shown complaining on a YouTube clip because he is "too small to be the governor" can stop crying.

Gov. Chris Christie signed a proclamation yesterday making Jesse Koczon the state's honorary governor for the day.

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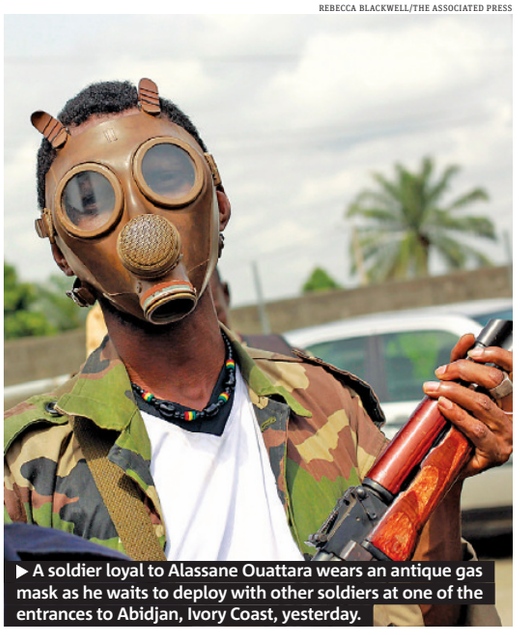

▶ A soldier loyal to Alassane Ouattara wears an antique gas mask as he waits to deploy with other soldiers at one of the entrances to Abidjan, Ivory Coast, yesterday.

Gbagbo under fire

Ivory Coast strongman holed up as fighting ensues on his doorstep
His soldiers seen abandoning posts

Heavy arms fire rang out yesterday near the home of the country's strongman who remained holed up in a subterranean bunker, as forces backing his rival assaulted the residence to try to force him out, diplomats and witnesses said.

Forces protecting Laurent Gbagbo appeared to rally last night, pushing back the armed group fighting to install democratically elected President Alassane Ouattara.

A spokesman for Ouattara's fighters, Yves Doumbia, said their forces breached the gates of the ruler's compound, only to be repelled by arms fire.

"We retreated but we are preparing for a second assault," Doumbia said by telephone.

Gbagbo has suffered debilitating losses in the past two days. United Nations Mi-24 helicopters attacked and destroyed his arms depots on Monday. On Tuesday, his soldiers were seen abandoning their posts across the city, some rushing inside a church to tear off their uniforms and dump their weapons before discreetly exiting in civilian clothes.

A spokeswoman for Ouattara said earlier on France-24 television that the forces would eventually succeed in forcing out the leader who has refused to cede power after losing a November election.

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Political rivals

The 65-year-old Laurent Gbagbo, an ex-professor, appears to have calculated his rival's weakness.

- Opponent Alassane Ouattara knows he needs to take Gbagbo alive in order to maintain international support and avoid further alienating the 46 per cent of the electorate that voted for Gbagbo in last year's election.
- Gbagbo refused to accept defeat to Ouattara last year and took his country to the brink of civil war in his bid to preserve power.

CORPORATE TAX CUTS

Take the money and run?

Companies that reaped the most benefit from a massive tax reduction over the past decade underperformed on job creation, the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives says. The finding appears to undermine the Conservatives' rationale for corporate tax cuts.

The Ottawa think-tank tracked the job-creation record of 198 of Canada's leading companies from 2000 to 2009. During that period they reported a 50 per cent increase in profits and paid 20 per cent less in taxes. But from 2005 to 2010, employment at those companies grew by five per cent, less than the six per cent average.

Private sector economists argue that reducing corporate taxes makes Canadian firms competitive, resulting in more jobs. But the CCPA says the companies studied mostly pocketed the cash. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Joltin' joe: $1.57 for a large Tim's?

Coffee, food prices take flight ▶ Higher costs expected to hit other restaurants by the fall due to failing crops and dwindling food supply

As higher prices percolate at the country's largest coffee chain, Canadians should brace themselves to pay more for restaurant meals as well, experts say.

Tim Hortons customers will pay seven cents more for a large cup of coffee starting Monday. With the price of wheat rising 68.4 per cent over the past year, Tim's is also raising the cost of some baked goods, a spokesman said.

Tim Hortons' 4.5 per cent coffee-price increase is in line with predictions that suggest a five to seven per cent increase in the price of food by the end of the year, said Adrienne Warren, senior economist at Scotiabank.

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▶ Failed crops in major grower Colombia have helped to drive up coffee prices.

The price of coffee, cocoa, wheat, sugar, beef and other commodities started rising about nine months ago, and it takes about that long for costs to work their way down to consumers' wallets and, in turn, to restaurants, she said.

Some major Canadian food manufacturers are also charging more. Maple Leaf Foods raised its bakery prices by 20 cents per unit at the end of last month, and breadmaker George Weston Ltd. is charging five per cent more for its products. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Market moment

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FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

Because your partner is so often wrong, conflicts are a normal part of any relationship.

If you never argue, your relationship may have fundamental problems — such as an imaginary partner constructed from the shattered pieces of your psyche. Or a dead partner who, to you, just looks a little blue. Nobody wants to argue. But it's inevitable. Observe two typical arguments that come up between every couple.

Problem No. 1: She is upset because he left the toilet seat up, causing her to extend her arms for a moment to put the lid down. He counters that she leaves the lid down all the time, reducing his target area, then complaining when his aim falters.

Problem No. 2: He is upset because he wants to see the action flick Terminal Explosion 2 while she wants to see Love In The Time Of Whooping Cough. They compromise by seeing Last Airbender 2: The Second-Last Airbender and both go home miserable.

As you can see, the only possible solution is a good argument. That's why I have prepared the following guide for fighting the good fight. You're welcome.

Know your place: Sometimes it's best to hold your fire, even when you are right. For instance, never say, "That is the ugliest wedding dress I've ever seen" unless you are well in front of the congregation.

Take time outs: This allows your partner to think about just how wrong they are. Then, when they have relaxed, you pounce.

Use laughter: Make light of your partner's clothing, hair, or speech impediment to diffuse the tension, then watch the love grow.

Avoid broad statements: Never use broad, sweeping statements like, "I hope you burn in hell!" Instead, try more specific, realistic statements like, "It is my great wish that you will spend the rest of your life in a Saudi prison." From here, the healing can begin.

Yell: Screaming at the top of your lungs is a way of letting your neighbours know that you are so confident in this particular argument that you are willing to share its finer points with the entire neighbourhood, that they might scrutinize them.

Practise: You will never get good at bickering unless you do it every day.

Be prepared: If it's the male causing the problems — and it is — then couples may want to reduce the chance of injuries by purchasing a Nerf-brand Throwing Shoe.

And that's my advice. The only other tip I might give is never go to sleep angry. Every satisfactory argument should have a proper ending, much like a proper newspaper column.

So there.

Read more of John Mazerolle's columns at metronews.ca/hesays

Lady Gaga to guest edit Metro May 17 editions

International pop superstar Lady Gaga will be Global Guest Editor-in-Chief for all May 17 editions of Metro ahead of her highly anticipated Born This Way worldwide album release May 23.

In her role as Global Guest Editor-in-Chief, Lady Gaga will highlight issues surrounding equality and individuality, select stories and provide her comments on the breaking news of the day.

Lady Gaga will edit Metro's editions in 20 countries from the London office of Metro World News, Metro's central news desk.

As part of the Global Guest Editorship, Metro will also run a competition where one lucky reader — from one Metro country — will be chosen to serve as Lady Gaga's editorial assistant in London.

Contest

- **Stay tuned** to Metro and metronews.ca for more details on how to enter the contest and for exciting exclusives from Gaga.

The contest is open to Metro readers and Gaga fans around the world, and will challenge entrants to share what makes them Born This Way, and to identify what issues of equality affect them.

"Let's see how fans would define what Born This Way is for them," Lady Gaga said. "I say I was born to be brave.

"That's part of my mission in life. I was born to follow my artistic visions. Look into yourself. Are you born to be brave?"

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Tweets

- **@CurlyJenn:** BBQing hamburgers for dinner. Glad it hasn't started snowing yet. #yyc
- **@antipretty_yyc:** #yyc is being dragged, kicking and screaming, into Spring. #brrr
- **@Crockatteer:** BTW, has anybody seen the tight-fisted, champion of taxpayers @nenshi from the election? He appears to have gone missing. #yyc #yyccc
- **@DannyKidRadio:** #yyc parking tix going up 38% ... i got a trick to make em go down 100% ... stop parking illegally
- **@nickydundas:** cannot believe there is an actual poutine crawl going on in #Calgary this weekend in search of #YYC best poutine. I kinda wanna go #tummyache
- **@w3ndsHere:** Holy moly CPA is making mad cash today. We're broke students, stressed students and tired students. Leave us alone!!! #yyc.
- **@Dbarberino:** I peeked about an hour ago. Someone please wave the end of day magic wand. Tks. #yyc
- **@gccarra:** As I'll be participating in @Climb4Wild in the worst shape of my life, I'm more dreading than excited about the climb the #yyc Tower event.

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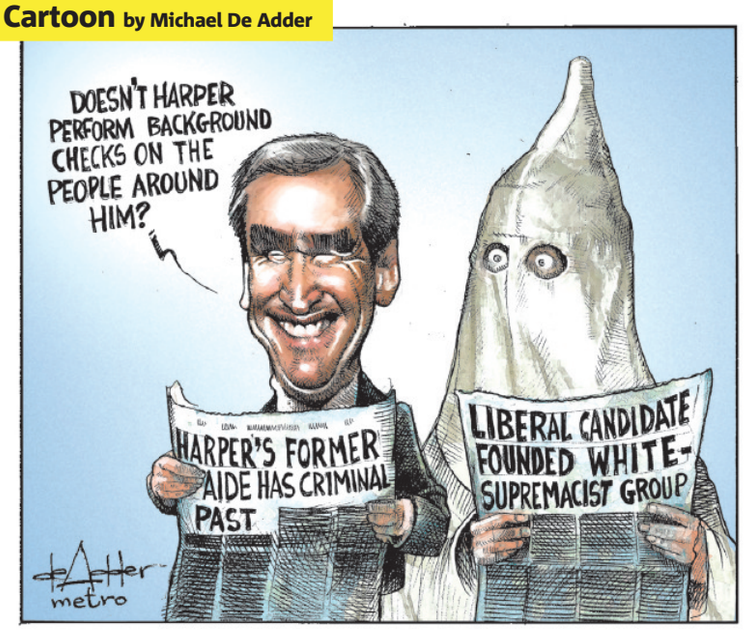

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Your chance to be heard this election

At Metro, we think conversations about the future of our cities are important.

Because of this, we would like the leaders of the federal parties to tell us about their vision for cities, and the role they think cities play within the federation.

Here's the plan: We're inviting the leaders of the five major national parties — Stephen Harper, Michael Ignatieff, Jack Layton, Elizabeth May and Gilles Duceppe — to respond to questions about urban issues.

Want to join the conversation?

Send us your questions on Twitter at @metrocalgary, Facebook at facebook.com/metrocalgary or at metronews.ca/beheard.

We will send a selection of your questions to each party leader and print their responses in Metro on Wednesday, April 20.

On April 21, our urban affairs team will host an online chat about the responses, and the impact they could have on city life — and we would like you to join us for that, too.

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Scene in brief

James Franco has yet another new undertaking: employee of The Colbert Report. The actor appeared on the Comedy Central program Tuesday and said he wanted to work for host Stephen Colbert.

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In Web video, Billy Crystal returns for ghoulish sequel to When Harry Met Sally

Poutine crawl will fill you up

Calgary's first ever poutine crawl gives those that love fries, gravy and cheese a chance to try out four of the city's best takes on the Quebec classic

BACKSTAGE PASS

JENNIFER LARAWAY
METRO CALGARY

Calgary is known for a few things: Stampede, cowboys, and grub. Now, when I think of Calgary's culinary scene, I think of the taste bud tempting nooks lining Stephen Avenue, or even some of the delicious world-famous fast food creations that came out of our city such as ginger beef and The Caesar. I do not think of poutine. I thought Montreal had that one in the bag. But it's true, Calgary is home to some of the best poutine in the country.

Still a mystery to most of our friends south of the Canadian border, this calorie-packed indulgence combines the greatest things in life: cheese, gravy and French fries. For those feeling particularly adventurous, there is also the option of adding ketchup. Don't knock it until you try it people. It's seriously delicious. It's also the staple meal that sustained me through university.

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▶ No, someone didn't throw up on a plate, it's poutine perfection!

Thanks to Melrose on 17th, the classic poutine is taking a more sophisticated turn from those starving student days. Known for some pretty killer parties and appetizers, Melrose is doing what they do best but with a twist. Instead of them bringing the poutine to you at their 17th Avenue location, they are sending you to dabble in some delicious cheese and gravy. Don't worry about missing out on the party either; they are hooking up your poutine hopping self with a "British Party Machine Bus." Whatever it is it's an appropriately obscene way to command attention for Calgary's first poutine crawl.

Four locations will attempt to win your poutine affections: Alberta King of Subs, The Brasserie, Laurier Lounge, and Bistro 2210. Bus departs Melrose at noon on Saturday, and circles back around 4:30 pm where drinks will be waiting for you. This all-inclusive afternoon is just $45. Tickets are limited and available at poutinecrawl.eventbrite.com.

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▶ Katie Murphy

Separation leads to musical inspiration

What happens when you blend folk and pop? You get Katie Murphy's new work of art: the album Exes & Uh Ohs. Based on her own transitionary experiences, the lyrics give insight to common experiences that aren't often talked about.

"We didn't make the transition from young lovers into a family well," says Murphy when speaking of her significant other. "Luckily, we found each other again."

Most of the songs were written while Katie and her husband took a one-year hiatus from their relationship. The album catalogues that troubling year of navigating life with two young children, while following separate paths.

Tonight you can see Murphy perform with Cindy Doire at The Ironwood (1229 - 9th Ave. S.E.) Show starts at 8 p.m. and admission is only $10. For more information, visit katiemurphy.ca.

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▶ Former boxer Mike Tyson with an unlikely friend.

An amazing connection of man and bird

Brooklyn bullies first introduced Mike Tyson to pigeons He's been in love ever since

A fancy for pigeons has made former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson the baddest man on Animal Planet.

The ex-fighter with the nasty past and fearsome tattoo is the star of the six-part series Taking On Tyson that documents his life-long relationship with the most urban of birds and his passion for pigeon racing.

His love affair with the birds goes back to his childhood in a rough section of Brooklyn, N.Y., where he was picked on by other boys for wearing glasses and being overweight.

"One day I was walking around school and three or four guys approached me," Tyson recalled this week. "They started checking my pockets, asking for money and then they asked me: 'Do you want to fly with us?'"

"This was pigeon terminology I didn't know. I said OK because I didn't want them to think I was scared.

Pigeon passion

Taking on Tyson debuts in Canada on Thursday night at 9 p.m. ET on Animal Planet.

▶ **It takes** Tyson back to his old haunts, including the roof of the building next to the New Jersey boxing gym where he once trained, and where he and some friends have kept pigeons since his fighting days.

The bullies sent Tyson from roof to roof, scaring pigeons back to their roosts, and doing other chores for an afternoon, then sent him on his way. They were surprised to see Tyson back again the next day, volunteering for more.

"That's how I started flying pigeons," he said. He once said his first fight was with a boy who killed one of his pigeons.

A troubled youth and frequent arrests led Tyson to a reform school in upstate New York, where a coach placed him under the wing of legendary fight trainer Cus d'Amato. The rest was history.

Tyson became known as Iron Mike and The Baddest Man On The Planet as the muscular five-foot-10 heavyweight pounded opponent after opponent.

Tyson's life later began to unravel, as his conditioning and behaviour slipped after d'Amato's death. In 1991, he was sentenced to six years in jail for rape, serving three years. He retired from the ring in 2006.

Tyson calls pigeons "the first animal I ever connected with."

"How many people can get a job doing something they loved to do since they were a little kid?" he asked. "People all over the world are going to see it and it's going to broaden people's understanding of pigeons."

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IMAX goes wild — in 3-D

IMAX Director David Lickley takes viewers to Borneo and the Savannah

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Born To Be Wild 3D is the latest IMAX wildlife documentary that uses the immersive medium to transport audiences into the wonders of nature.

In this case, the focus is on the remarkable efforts of Dr. Birute Mary Galdikas, who saves and raises orphaned orangutans in the rainforests of Borneo, and Dr. Dame Daphne Sheldrick, who provides the same service for orphaned elephants in the Kenyan Savannah.

Veteran IMAX director David Lickley says he was attracted to the project because "these two women are absolutely amazing and the animals are fascinating, intelligent and passionate. The stories of both the humans and the animals they rescue needed to be told."

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▶ Watch these orphaned elephants get a new lease on life in Born to be Wild.

Lickley described transporting his crew to the remote filming locations as "a logistical nightmare. We had 30,000 pounds of equipment that we had to take deep into the desert and rain forest."

The physical challenges of the project were immense, but aided by new technology created specifically for the movie.

"We built and pioneered a new 3-D IMAX camera that's digital with no film involved. It has the same IMAX quality, but also the lightness and quietness of digital photography. We could put the camera on a crane and go up 20 meters in the air in the rainforest. Things that had never been done before and allowed for an all new level of audience immersion."

The results speak for themselves. Lickley created grand sweeping imagery that pulls the audience into the vast wilds of the Savannah desert and Borneo rainforest. On a technical level, the film is remarkable, but it's also a project that the director hopes will inspire a conservationist passion in his audience.

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▶ Christian Bale is shown as Batman in a scene from The Dark Knight.

Knight rises again

Criminals beware: Batman will be on the beat this summer in Pittsburgh.

Film director Christopher Nolan, who has helmed the two previous Batman films — starring Christian Bale as the caped crime fighter and his alter ego, Bruce Wayne — said Tuesday the Pennsylvania city will host filming for a third film for at least a month.

"Pittsburgh is a beautiful city. We have been able to find everything we were looking for here and I am excited to spend the summer in Pittsburgh with our final installment of Batman," he said in a statement, adding that he finally settled on the city because of its architecture and diverse sampling of locations.

Mayor Luke Ravensthahl said the decision was "another example of the growing film industry in our community and we will be rolling out the red carpet for them."

The city is no stranger to film productions, having been the location for more than 100 film and television products since 1990, including I Am Number Four and Kevin Smith's Zack & Miri Make A Porno.

The Dark Knight Rises, is scheduled to be released in July 2012, and stars Bale, Gary Oldman, and Anne Hathaway as Catwoman.

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Angie and Brad: It really must be love

- Actress shows commitment in her usual form
- Means she's really ready to settle down?

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▶ Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie

Angelina Jolie sparked new adoption speculation when she showed up in Tunisia with a new set of map coordinates tattooed on her arm. The actress already has the coordinates for the birthplaces of her six adopted children, so a new set might suggest a new addition to the family, right? Wrong. Sources tell In Touch the coordinates are actually for partner Brad Pitt's birthplace in Oklahoma.

"She got the seventh line right around the time she and Brad moved the kids back to LA.," a source says. "Angelina has finally agreed to Brad's long-standing request to settle down."

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▶ Lindsay Lohan

Lohan to play Manson victim?

There's at least one person in Hollywood who's eager to work with Lindsay Lohan: Her friend and photographer Tyler Shields, who is planning a movie about Charles Manson. Shields says he's eyeing Lohan to play Sharon Tate, the victim of Manson's crazed followers. "Sharon Tate was a movie star. So I want [an actress who] you already have a back story with. People have a back story with someone like Lindsay," Shields, who plans on playing Manson himself, tells Entertainment Weekly. "I'm just going to be directing people to do the craziest s--- they've ever done. I want this to really hit people in a really specific place."

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Celebrity tweets

@oliviawilde

"Cool it, honeybadgers. We are just friends and have been for years."

@charliesheen

"Dear Miley, Welcome back to Twitter! Always felt you were epic... Now you proved it! Thanks for the love!"

@AlbertBrooks

"Just found out I'm being followed by @charliesheen. Not just on twitter, I think he's outside."

@SarahKSilverman

"If you don't have enough regret in your life, try cutting bangs."

Aniston has proposition for George Clooney

Jennifer Aniston is getting fed up with speculation about her love life, but she may have finally found a way to put an end to all of it: enlist Hollywood's other most famous unmarried star, George Clooney. "That would definitely shut up the world," she jokes to Red magazine. "I could call up George, say, 'Hun, let's just get hitched and have kids.' I should take George to lunch and we can figure out how to put an end to all this." METRO

▶ Jennifer Aniston

Pregnant Mariah poses topless

Mariah Carey is just weeks away from giving birth to twins, and she decided to show the world by posing topless for Life & Style Weekly.

"I didn't want to miss this opportunity to document this once-in-a-lifetime experience," Carey tells the magazine.

"We didn't start shooting until 1:30 a.m. because I was in the hospital from the night before until the day of the shoot with contractions five minutes apart." METRO

Federline solves baby problem

Kevin Federline and girlfriend Victoria Prince have had some confusion over the gender of the child they're expecting, but they didn't let that stop them from naming it. "[Victoria] said that if we were going to have a little girl, she wanted to name her Jordan. And then, we actually thought that it was a boy, but we stuck with the name Jordan because, you know, it fits both ways," Federline tells Us Weekly. "We just found out the other day that we're having a girl. So it worked out!" METRO

Parents inspire Miley to restart relationship

Despite splitting up last August, Miley Cyrus is reportedly back together with her The Last Song co-star Liam Hemsworth — and her parents calling off their divorce had a lot to do with it, according to Hollywood Life.

"Miley is so thrilled at her parents reconciling, and it made her stop and think, and realize that Liam is someone special in her life ... Now that their schedules are better suited for each other, they have been able to work it out," a source explains.

"Plus her parents trust Liam."

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3 life

How to pull off neon at work

Day-Glo colours look great on the runway ◗ But in your little cubicle at work? ◗ We road test the season's eye-popping brights

KENYA HUNT
METRO WORLD NEWS

If you're like me, Day-Glo colours conjure up images of a mixture of things — none of them particularly good. Think the synthetic hair on My Little Pony dolls, George Michael's short shorts in old Wham! videos, flickering Bud Light signs at gas stations and American Apparel leggings.

But in fashion, these cornea-popping brights couldn't be more "haute" courant. Think Christopher Kane's sublime laser cut leather and lace skirts in hot pink, Miu Miu's silk pleated dress in fluorescent yellow, or Jil Sanders bold florals. Blame them for all the candy colours you've been seeing in Zara, Topshop, H&M and the like. The challenge: wearing brights in a way that looks chic and not MTV circa 1983. You're not going to an awesome '80s theme party, after all.

NICK CUNARD

Right about now, you may be imagining your boss balking at the sight of a dress in go-to-hell yellow, a flagrant rebellion against the navy, black and tan of nine-to-five world. Or someone on the train mistaking your neon orange blazer for a safety vest. Don't think about that.

This look can work in the office. There are several foolproof routes you can take. 1) The Small Doses Approach, in which you use neon as a pop of contrast against an otherwise sensibly coloured look. It could be as simple as a neon pink collar poking out from underneath the neckline of a respectable gray sweater, a fluo green belt cinching a nude coloured dress or a brazenly bright orange manicure. And then there's option 2) The Whole Hog Method, in which you take a series of separates in different bold hues (a green pencil skirt, blue button down and yellow trench coat, for instance) and wear them all at once — fashion types like to call it colour-blocking.

I've tried both at work and managed to even get a compliment from our hard-bitten news editor who rarely misses an opportunity to make fun of my fashion-loving ways. Nevermind that he followed the nice words up with this gem: "It's great and versatile. You can use it for cycling at night." But even if he did crack wise, no worries. The most important rule when it comes to wearing a bold colour is to accessorize the look with your attitude.

It's less about what others think of you in the outfit, and more about how you feel wearing it.

Wearing it

NICK CUNARD

▶ Yours truly, testing out the Small Doses Approach in the office. Suno blouse and dress, sunony.com

"The challenge: wearing brights in a way that looks chic and not MTV circa 1983."

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All yesses for these dresses

When Kate Middleton walks down the aisle later this month to marry Prince William, the would-be brides watching out there will almost certainly home in on her dress. Some wedding dresses leave a legacy beyond the next-day knockoffs. Here are some famous brides who set fashion trends. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Grace Kelly
Kelly's gown, made by costumer Helen Rose and the wardrobe department of MGM, was "truly designed by Hollywood," says Martini Bratten. There was a high neckline, a cinched waist and a big ballskirt — all befitting a new royal. But the collar, sleeves and overlay were lace, so there was still a glimpse at the more revealing sweetheart bodice, more in line with what one would expect from a movie star.

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Bianca Jagger
Neither a princess, presidential relative nor movie star, Jagger created a sensation as a fashion rebel when she married Mick Jagger in a Savile Row-made pantsuit, also in 1971. She represented a cool jet-setter, not a princess bride.

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Carolyn Bessette Kennedy
The extravagance of the mid-'80s largely went out with the stock-market crash in 1987, and wedding gowns started becoming simpler and chicer. Bessette Kennedy's bias-cut Narciso Rodriguez gown in 1996 became the quintessential wedding dress of the era, says Martini Bratten. "It was sexy, unadorned but beautifully cut. It was modern — and it came about just the time the destination wedding was picking up steam — which it was perfect for," she says.

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Diana, Princess of Wales
A princess couldn't wear the prairie, bohemian bridal looks that closed out the '70s, and Diana's 1981 gown by Elizabeth Emanuel helped usher in an era of opulence and formality. The shoulders were exaggerated, the skirt full and the sleeves pouffy. The train was 7.6 metres long.

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• Avoid hot water, harsh soap and exfoliants. "Cleanse with cool water and a non-lathering, soap-free formula like Cetaphil Gentle Skin Cleanser ($10, cetaphil.ca), or don't use a cleanser at all," says Jang.

• Avoid acne products. Their exfoliating properties will further upset the skin.

• Avoid sun exposure. You're more vulnerable to UV damage, so use a high-SPF sunscreen for sensitive skin.

• Use a plain moisturizer without anti-aging ingredients, or a soothing balm such as Bioderma Cicabio Soothing Repairing Cream (left), or La Roche-Posay Cicaplast ($19, laroche-posay.ca), designed to calm distressed skin and accelerate healing. And remember, "you can't use past experiences as a measure of how your next appointment will go.".

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Kate's dress to dictate sales

Middleton copycats are sure to abound, bridalewear experts say

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Canadian bridalwear designer Ines Di Santo shows a wedding dress in Toronto.

When Kate Middleton emerges from a Rolls-Royce outside Westminster Abbey on her wedding day, she won't just be taking steps towards a life of royalty – she'll be blazing a trail for future bridal wear trends.

"There's no question it will be a big impact in fashion the way it was with Lady Diana," said luxury bridal and eveningwear designer Ines Di Santo in an interview at her Toronto bridal salon against a backdrop of lavish gowns bathed in a rich range of creamy hues.

"I remember seeing (in) every window they had a copy of the Lady Diana dress. Every city," she added. "I was in Italy, there was a lady dressed up like Lady Diana. If I was in New York, there was a dress of Lady Diana. Canada, of course, I walked by (stores) and saw a lot of them."

Cynthia Martyn, owner of Sash & Bustle, a Toronto boutique featuring modern bridesmaid dresses and bridal alternatives, said while there's obvious widespread interest in Middleton's gown among fans and fashionistas, there's no doubt that designers are also taking notice.

"As soon as we have an inkling to what this dress looks like, you're going to see reinterpretations of that at every price point," said Martyn, a wedding and event planner and creative director of Cynthia Martyn Events. "Everything from the Vera Wangs of the world right down to David's Bridal that has just come into Canada with lower-priced bridal gown options, they're going to have their version of it. So there's no doubt." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Springtime window treatments

Here comes the sun: Decorating expert Karl Lohnes offers tips on dressing up your windows

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▶ Window treatments serve many purposes, such as keeping the sun out and providing privacy. But perhaps most importantly, they dress the windows on the inside and can give your living space an elegant, pleasing look.

It's easy to see why so many people leave their windows barely covered.

Considerations like function, style, colour and cost get most people nervous, allowing a bed sheet to do the job for them. Unless you live in the country, most of us need window treatments not only for privacy, but to keep the sun out and to dress the windows on the inside.

There are three mainstay choices for window trends this spring: draperies, shades and sheers. Here's a quick debriefing of what they're all about and where to use them.

For the past decade we've seen draperies go by the wayside to blinds but the pinch-pleated, fully lined couture-looking drapes are making a return. They are usually installed as inoperable side panels and dress up the room with fabric and colour.

Lush fabrics are what's hottest right now — shiny silks in bright colours and linen in neutral tones are most popular.

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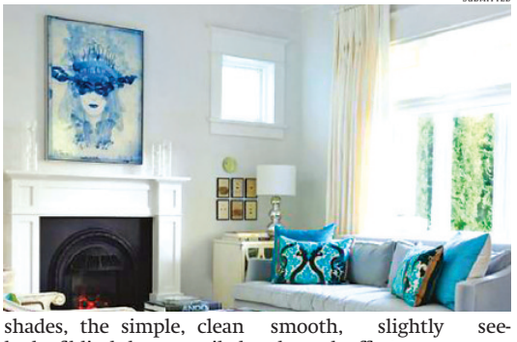

Drapes should be hung ½ above the window for low ceilings and ⅔ above the window in a room with higher ceilings.

Never should the drapery rod be hung just at the top of the window or all the way up at the ceiling.

Draperies should not touch the floor (½ inch off the floor is perfect) which will give them a cleaner, tailored look. They need to have another fabric lining behind for fullness, body and sun protection.

Wondering what colour of drapery fabric to choose? Match it to your wall colour. A shade lighter or darker will work best, for as long as your paint colour is working in the room, then so will the drapes.

Whether it be shutters, mini blinds or sheer shades, the simple, clean look of blinds has prevailed in window fashions for quite a long time. I believe that every window needs some sort of a blind system to filter the light and offer privacy. What's fashion-forward for spring are matchstick-style roman blinds in neutral sand and driftwood tones for a rustic look, or roll-up woven sheer-weave blinds that create a smooth, slightly see-through effect.

Motorized blinds are all the rage in spaces with tall ceilings. One touch of remote (yes, another remote in our lives) and the blinds can be brought up or down.

For longevity, blinds should be similar colour/tone as the window trims. If you have white window frames then your blind should be white. For wooden trims, a neutral linen or pale brown tinged blind will work best.

We all think of sheers as something our grandmother had in the '50s and '60s: shiny, see-through fabric bunched up to the living room window.

Sheers have made a return — they offer privacy and light control when closed and the softness of draperies that blinds cannot give. They are also great looking when stretched wall to wall in a room.

They'll give big impact and help to hide various uneven windows and balcony doors. Look for natural materials for blinds like gauzy linens and cottons (no shine please!).

Good sheers will be custom made to sit ½ inch off the floor and will be weighted at the bottom so they hang straight down for a tailored appearance.

The easiest way to hang them is with a hospital track style rod which sits tight to the ceiling and is barely noticeable. A great option to sheers is the Luminette Privacy Sheers from Hunter Douglas (hunterdouglas.ca).

They have the ease of a vertical blind and the clean-lined look of modern sheers. Sheer-type window treatments tend to look best in fresh, crisp white or in a fabric choice, which is the same colour as the walls.

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Painting wood panelling

This eyesore can be easily done away with and it won't cost too much

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A trend of the 1960s, wood panelling is found in many old houses.

It commands the room's attention and is often considered an eyesore for homeowners who prefer bright, crisp walls. Luckily, painting over the wood panelling is incredibly easy and cost-effective.

DIY Network Canada's House Crashers (airing Wednesdays at 9 p.m. ET/PT and 9:30 p.m. ET/PT) offers a step-by-step guide to bringing a room into the 21st century.

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▶ When painting wood panelling, be sure to use a high-quality paint roller.

Prep the space

Before priming and painting, lay down a drop cloth or layers of newspaper to protect the floor. Also, apply painters tape to the ceiling and baseboards to facilitate a clean line finish.

Prep the wood

To get the panels ready for their makeover, fill nail holes and other imperfections with caulk. When the caulk dries, sand it down and run a moist cloth over the entire wall to wash away any dust and debris. Unless the panelling is splintered or extra glossy, there is no need to sand the entire wall.

Prime time

Picking a primer is an important step when painting wood panelling. An oil-based primer is recommended over a water-based one, because oil-based formulas are more durable. This means no grease or wood stains will come through and ruin the final finish. Using a paint roller, apply a thin and even coat of primer over all the wood panelling. Use a paint brush to cover any cracks and corners that the roller didn't reach to ensure that the entire surface is covered.

Get painting

Once the primer dries, use a high-quality paint roller to apply one thin and even coat of latex paint. Again, use a paint brush to get to any spots the roller missed. Allow the paint to dry completely and then apply a second coat for better coverage and a richer colour.

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A combination of sweet and savoury makes this Medjool Date-Nut Pasta tasty and adds a different twist to your dinner table.

With fresh spinach and salty feta, the sweet tender dates are the perfect addition to the fettuccine.

Registered dietitian Bridget Davidson says Medjool dates, with their fibre, potassium and magnesium, are an excellent addition to the diet. They are fat- and sodium-free and a serving of two dates contains 140 calories.

"They are also an excellent source of polyphenols, which can ... help to reduce some risks of some free radicals. Free radicals can cause cancer. So dates ... are one of several fruits and vegetables that can certainly add to that high level of antioxidants which we need," Davidson said.

Preparation:

1. In a large bowl, combine spinach, feta, dates and walnuts; set aside.
2. In a bowl, whisk together oil and lemon juice. Drizzle over spinach mix and toss to coat evenly.
3. Garlic Breadcrumbs: In a skillet, heat oil over medium heat and cook garlic for 30 seconds; remove. Add breadcrumbs and cook, stirring until browned. Set aside.
4. Meanwhile, in a large pot of boiling water, cook pasta for about 10 minutes or until tender but firm. Drain and return to the pot. Add the spinach mixture to pasta and toss to combine well. Divide among 6 plates and sprinkle with toasted breadcrumbs.

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Ingredients:

- 10 cups (2.5 L) spinach leaves, coarsely chopped
- 8 oz (250 g) feta cheese
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) pitted and chopped Medjool dates
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) chopped walnuts, toasted
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) olive oil
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) lemon juice
- 1 lb (500 g) fettuccine
- Salt and d black pepper

Garlic Breadcrumbs

- 1 tbsp (15 mL) olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, sliced
- 1 cup (250 mL) fresh breadcrumbs

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▶ Edmonton Oilers goalie Nikolai Khabibulin stares at the puck as Calgary's Tom Kostopoulos tries to swat it past him.

Blowout win not enough for Flames

Calgary's hopes of making playoffs go up in smoke despite 6-1 rout of Edmonton

Jarome Iginla scored a hat-trick in Calgary's dominating 6-1 victory last night over the Edmonton Oilers, but the Flames were still eliminated from the NHL Western Conference playoff race.

Chicago's 4-3 overtime victory over St. Louis earlier in the evening put the Blackhawks out of reach, leaving Anaheim in a position to oust the Flames from contention with a victory. The Ducks beat San Jose 6-2 last night in Anaheim.

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Rene Bourque, Alex Tanguay and Curtis Glencross also scored for Calgary (41-29-11), while Mikael Backlund had three assists.

Iginla capped off his first three-goal game of the season scoring his 42nd goal at 6:47 of the third period, chipping in a backhand from the side of the net to make it 6-1.

It is the fourth time Iginla has surpassed 40 goals in his career and the first time he's reached that mark since scoring 50 in 2007-08.

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Around the NHL

Other results from last night.

- Ilya Kovalchuk scored his 30th goal and added an assist to lead the New Jersey Devils to a 4-2 victory over the Toronto Maple Leafs.
- Jonathan Toews scored on a low shot from the left circle at 3:19 of overtime to give Chicago a 4-3 victory over the St. Louis Blues and move the Blackhawks within two points of a clinching a playoff spot.
- The Washington Capitals' power play is hitting its stride just in time for the playoffs, with Mike Knuble and Jason Chimera both scoring with the man advantage in a 5-2 victory over the Florida Panthers.
- The Boston Bruins are within two points of the second playoff spot in the Eastern Conference with a 3-2 victory over the New York Islanders.

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Bonds' defence declines to call witnesses to the stand

Barry Bonds' confident defence team rested its case yesterday without calling a single witness, just minutes after a federal judge accepted the government's request to dismiss one of the five counts against the home-run king.

Prosecutors called 25 witnesses over 2 ½ weeks, but the defence needed just one minute to present its side.

Once indicted on as many as 15 counts, the all-time home-run leader will face just four charges when the jury starts deliberations.

A decision could come as early as tomorrow.

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Colangelo refutes Knicks rumours

Toronto Raptors general manager Bryan Colangelo scoffed at the idea yesterday that he could be heading to New York when his contract expires June 30. He said his "preference is to complete" the rebuilding plan in Toronto.

A New York Post article suggested he would be the perfect replacement for Knicks president Donnie Walsh. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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y-Boston	80	45	24	5	6	241	191	101	21-13-3-3	24-11-2-3	6-3-0-1	W1
x-Pittsburgh	80	47	25	5	3	225	196	102	25-14-2-0	22-11-3-3	7-3-0-0	W2
x-Tampa Bay	80	44	25	5	6	237	236	99	24-11-1-4	20-14-4-2	5-3-1-1	L1
x-Montreal	80	43	30	4	3	210	205	93	24-11-3-3	19-19-1-0	5-5-0-0	W2
Buffalo	80	41	29	9	1	236	222	92	20-16-3-1	21-13-6-0	7-1-2-0	W2
NY Rangers	80	43	32	2	3	228	193	91	19-16-1-3	24-16-1-0	7-2-0-1	W2
Carolina	80	39	30	6	5	228	232	89	22-13-3-2	17-17-3-3	7-2-1-0	W1
Toronto	81	37	33	5	6	217	247	85	18-14-3-5	19-19-2-1	6-3-0-1	L2
New Jersey	80	37	38	3	2	169	202	79	21-16-2-1	16-22-0-2	4-5-0-1	W1
Atlanta	79	33	34	5	7	217	258	78	17-15-2-5	16-19-3-2	4-6-0-0	L2
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y-San Jose	79	47	23	4	5	240	202	103	24-11-2-3	23-12-2-2	8-1-0-1	W4
y-Detroit	80	46	24	6	4	255	234	102	21-13-4-2	25-11-2-2	4-4-2-0	L1
Nashville	80	43	26	7	4	215	191	97	23-9-5-3	20-17-2-1	8-1-1-0	W1
Los Angeles	79	45	28	4	2	214	191	96	24-12-3-0	21-16-1-2	6-3-1-0	L1
Phoenix	79	42	25	7	5	224	217	96	20-13-4-3	22-12-3-2	7-2-0-1	L1
Chicago	80	43	28	4	5	251	219	95	24-16-0-0	19-12-5-4	5-4-1-0	W1
Anaheim	79	44	30	3	2	228	231	93	24-13-1-1	20-17-2-1	7-3-0-0	L2
Calgary	81	41	29	4	7	248	234	93	23-13-1-3	18-16-3-4	4-4-1-1	W3
Dallas	79	40	28	4	7	217	224	91	21-11-3-5	19-17-1-2	3-4-2-1	W2
St. Louis	81	37	33	5	6	238	234	85	22-13-1-4	15-20-4-2	5-3-1-1	L1
Minnesota	79	37	34	3	5	198	224	82	18-17-2-3	19-17-1-2	2-7-1-0	L2
Columbus	80	34	33	5	8	210	249	81	17-18-1-4	17-15-4-4	2-5-2-1	L4
Colorado	79	29	42	7	1	219	278	66	15-20-4-0	14-22-3-1	3-7-0-0	L2
Edmonton	80	25	44	2	9	189	262	61	13-21-1-5	12-23-2-3	2-6-0-2	L1

x — clinched playoff berth; y — clinched division title; d — division leaders; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL or SOL columns.

Last night's results
Calgary 6 Edmonton 1
New Jersey 4 Toronto 2
Boston 3 N.Y. Islanders 2
Carolina 3 Detroit 0
Chicago 4 St. Louis 3 (OT)
Washington 5 Florida 2
San Jose at Anaheim
Phoenix at Los Angeles

Tuesday's results
Edmonton 2 Vancouver 0
Montreal 2 Chicago 1 (OT)
Ottawa 5 Philadelphia 2
Washington 3 Toronto 2 (SO)
Buffalo 4 Tampa Bay 2
Dallas 3 Columbus 0
Nashville 6 Atlanta 3
Pittsburgh 4 New Jersey 2
St. Louis 3 Colorado 1

Tonight's games
Atlanta at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Colorado at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

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First Period
1. New Jersey, Kovalchuk 30 (Josefson, Fayne) 13:47 (pp)
Penalty — Crabb Tor (boarding) 11:54.
Second Period
2. New Jersey, Tedenby 8 (Kovalchuk, Elias) 14:29
3. New Jersey, Tallinder 5 (Mair, Pelley) 15:34
Penalty — Toronto bench (too many men; served by MacArthur) 19:39.
Third Period
4. Toronto, Kessel 31 (Lupul, Lashoff) 6:18 (pp)
5. Toronto, Bozak 15, 12:42 (sh)
6. New Jersey, Elias 20, 19:50 (en)
Penalties — Aulie Tor (cross-checking) 1:47, Josefson NJ (holding) 5:05, Kulemin Tor (interference) 11:02, Phaneuf Tor (elbowing) 12:34.
Shots on goal by

Toronto	11	6	7	24
New Jersey	11	10	12	33

Goal (shots-saves) — Toronto: Reimer (L,20-9-5)(21-18), Giguere (start third)(11-11); New Jersey: Brodeur (W,23-25-3).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Toronto: 1-1; New Jersey: 1-5.
Referees — Don Van Massenhoven, Ian Walsh.
Linesmen — Jean Morin, Thor Nelson.
Att.— 14,207 (17,625) at Newark, N.J.

FLAMES 6, OILERS 1

First Period
No Scoring.
Missed penalty shot — Tanguay Cal, 18:19.
Penalty — Edmonton bench (too many men; served by Omark) 16:16.
Second Period
1. Calgary, Bourque 27(Jokinen, Bouwmeester) 3:44 (pp)
2. Calgary, Iginla 40 (Backlund, Babchuk) 13:18
3. Calgary, Iginla 41 (Tanguay, Backlund) 16:24 (pp)
Penalties — Edmonton bench (too many men; served by Omark) 3:06, Cogliano Edm (roughing) 15:33, Backlund Cal, Smid Edm (roughing) 16:24.
Third Period
4. Calgary, Tanguay 22 (Backlund, Iginla) 0:59
5. Edmonton, Paajarvi 15 (Cogliano) 3:47
6. Calgary, Glencross 24 (Nemisz, Babchuk) 6:24
7. Calgary, Iginla 42 (Jackman, Tanguay) 6:47
Penalties — MacIntyre Edm, Bourque Cal (roughing) 2:01, MacIntyre Edm (roughing) 6:42, Regehr Cal (cross-checking) 8:25, Giordano Cal (interference) 18:08.
Shots on goal by

Edmonton	3	8	12	23
Calgary	20	14	13	47

Goal — Edmonton: Khabibulin (L,10-32-3); Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,37-24-6).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Edmonton: 0-2; Calgary: 2-4.
Referees — Steve Kozari, Frederick L'Ecuyer.
Linesmen — Don Henderson, Brad Lazarowich.
Attendance — 19,289 (19,289).

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	41	59	100
St. Louis, TB	30	65	95
Perry, Ana	47	46	93
H.Sedin, Vcr	19	73	92
Stamkos, TB	44	45	89
Ovechkin, Wash	31	51	82
Iginla, Cal	39	42	81
Zetterberg, Det	24	56	80
Selanne, Ana	28	48	76
Toews, Chi	31	44	75
C.Giroux, Pha	25	50	75
Kopitar, LA	25	48	73
E.Staal, Car	33	39	72
B.Richards, Dal	26	46	72
Marleau, SJ	37	34	71
Getzlaf, Ana	19	52	71
Vanek, Buf	31	39	70
P.Kane, Chi	27	43	70
Kesler, Vcr	37	32	69
Ryan, Ana	34	34	68
Sharp, Chi	34	34	68
J.Thornton, SJ	20	48	68
Ribeiro, Dal	18	50	68
Eriksson, Dal	25	42	67
Crosby, Pgh	32	34	66
Nash, Clb	32	34	66
Visnovsky, Ana	18	48	66
J.Carter, Pha	36	29	65
M.Richards, Pha	23	42	65
Tanguay, Cal	21	44	65
Pavelski, SJ	19	46	65
Tavares, NYI	28	36	64
Briere, Pha	32	31	63
Duchene, Col	27	36	63
Backstrom, Wash	18	45	63
Kessel, Tor	30	32	62
Heatley, SJ	25	37	62
Clowe, SJ	24	38	62
Havlat, Minn	22	40	62
MacArthur, Tor	21	41	62
Lidstrom, Det	16	46	62
Krecji, Bos	13	49	62
Lucic, Bos	30	31	61
Backes, StL	30	30	60
Elias, NJ	19	40	59
Yandle, Phx	11	48	59
Grabovski, Tor	29	29	58
Skinner, Car	29	29	58
Datsyuk, Det	22	36	58
Doan, Phx	19	39	58
Kulemin, Tor	30	27	57
P.Bergeron, Bos	22	35	57
P.Stastny, Col	22	35	57
J.Williams, LA	22	35	57
M.Koivu, Minn	17	40	57
Kovalchuk, NJ	29	27	56
Ladd, Atl	27	29	56
Umberger, Clb	25	31	56
Plekanec, Mtl	21	35	56
Ra.Whitney, Phx	16	40	56
D.Brown, LA	28	27	55
Couture, SJ	31	23	54
Franzen, Det	28	26	54
Semin, Wash	28	26	54
Hejduk, Col	21	33	54

Not including last night's games

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	4	1	.800	—
Toronto	4	1	.800	—
New York	3	2	.600	1
Boston	0	4	.000	3½
Tampa Bay	0	5	.000	4

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	4	2	.667	—
Chicago	3	2	.600	½
Cleveland	2	2	.500	1
Detroit	2	3	.400	1½
Minnesota	2	3	.400	1½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	6	0	1.000	—
Los Angeles	3	3	.500	3
Seattle	2	4	.333	4
Oakland	1	4	.200	4½

Yesterday's results
L.A. Angels 5 Tampa Bay 1
Texas 7 Seattle 3
Chicago White Sox 10 Kansas City 7, 12 innings
Detroit 7 Baltimore 3
Boston at Cleveland
Minnesota at New York, ppd., rain
Toronto 5 Oakland 3

Tuesday's results
Toronto 7 Oakland 6 (10 ings)
Cleveland 3 Boston 1
Kansas City 7 Chicago White Sox 6 (12 ings)
L.A. Angels at Tampa Bay
Minnesota 5 N.Y. Yankees 4 (10 ings)
Texas 3 Seattle 2

Today's games
Boston at Cleveland, 12:05 p.m.
Oakland at Toronto, 12:37 p.m.
Minnesota at N.Y. Yankees, 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.
Detroit at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.

Tomorrow's games
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Detroit, 3:05 p.m.
Oakland at Minnesota, 4:10 p.m.
Texas at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.
Toronto at L.A. Angels, 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Seattle, 10:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	4	1	.800	—
Florida	3	2	.600	1
New York	3	2	.600	1
Atlanta	3	3	.500	1½
Washington	1	4	.200	3

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	5	0	1.000	—
Pittsburgh	4	2	.667	1½
Chicago	3	3	.500	2½
Milwaukee	2	4	.333	3½
St. Louis	2	4	.333	3½
Houston	0	5	.000	5

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	3	1	.750	—
San Diego	3	2	.600	½
Los Angeles	3	3	.500	1
Arizona	2	3	.400	1½
San Francisco	2	4	.333	2

Yesterday's results
Arizona 6 Chicago Cubs 4
Cincinnati 12 Houston 4
Colorado 7 L.A. Dodgers 5
Florida 7 Washington 4
Milwaukee 5 Atlanta 4
Philadelphia 10 N.Y. Mets 7
Pittsburgh 3 St. Louis 1
San Francisco 8 San Diego 4

Tuesday's results
Chicago Cubs 6 Arizona 5
Cincinnati 8 Houston 2
Colorado 3 L.A. Dodgers 0
Florida 3 Washington 2 (10 ings)
Milwaukee 1 Atlanta 0
N.Y. Mets 7 Philadelphia 1
San Diego 3 San Francisco 1
St. Louis 3 Pittsburgh 2

Today's games
Houston at Cincinnati, 12:35 p.m.
Colorado at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 1:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 3:05 p.m.
Washington at Florida, 7:10 p.m.

Tomorrow's games
Washington at N.Y. Mets, 4:10 p.m.
St. Louis at San Francisco, 4:35 p.m.
Colorado at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Florida at Houston, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Philadelphia	3	2	1	0	2	1	6
New England	3	1	0	2	4	3	5
New York	3	1	0	2	2	1	5
Chicago	2	1	0	1	4	3	4
Kansas City	3	1	1	1	8	8	4
Toronto	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Columbus	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
D.C. United	3	1	2	0	5	7	3
Houston	3	0	1	2	2	3	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Colorado	3	3	0	0	8	2	9
Los Angeles	4	2	1	1	4	5	7
Real Salt Lake	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
Vancouver	3	1	1	1	7	6	4
San Jose	3	1	1	1	4	3	4
Seattle	4	0	2	2	3	5	2
Chivas USA	3	0	2	1	3	5	1
Portland	3	0	2	1	2	6	1
Dallas	3	0	2	1	1	5	1

Note: Three points for win, one point for tie.
Last night's result
New England at Vancouver

UEFA

CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Barcelona 5 Shakhtar Donetsk 1
Chelsea 0 Manchester United 1

CONCACAF

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Yesterday's result
Cruz Azul 1 Monterrey 1

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Celtic 3 Hibernian 1
Motherwell 2 Dundee United 1
St Mirren 3 Aberdeen 2

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	57	20	.740	—
y-Boston	54	23	.701	3
y-Miami	54	24	.692	3½
x-Orlando	50	29	.633	8
x-Atlanta	44	34	.564	13½
x-New York	40	38	.513	17½
x-Philadelphia	40	39	.506	18
x-Indiana	36	43	.456	22
Milwaukee	32	46	.410	25½
Charlotte	32	46	.410	25½
Detroit	27	51	.346	30½
New Jersey	24	54	.308	33½
Washington	21	57	.269	36½
Toronto	21	57	.269	36½
Cleveland	17	61	.218	40½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	60	19	.759	—
y-L.A. Lakers	55	22	.714	4
x-Dallas	53	25	.679	6½
y-Oklahoma City	52	26	.667	7½
x-Denver	48	30	.615	11½
x-New Orleans	45	33	.577	14½
x-Portland	45	33	.577	14½
Memphis	44	34	.564	15½
Houston	41	38	.519	19
Phoenix	38	40	.487	21½
Utah	37	41	.474	22½
Golden State	34	44	.436	25½
L.A. Clippers	31	48	.392	29
Sacramento	23	55	.295	36½
Minnesota	17	62	.215	43

d – division leader; **x** — clinched playoff berth; **y** — clinched division.

Last night's results
Orlando 111 Charlotte 102 (OT)
Indiana 136 Washington 112
New York 97 Philadelphia 92
Cleveland 104 Toronto 96
Detroit 116 New Jersey 109
Phoenix 108 Minnesota 98
New Orleans 101 Houston 93
Oklahoma City 112 L.A. Clippers 108
Milwaukee 90 Miami 85
San Antonio 124 Sacramento 92
Denver 104 Dallas 96
L.A. Lakers at Golden State

CURLING

WORLD MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

At Regina
Yesterday's results
Draw 12
Canada 9 Czech Republic 4
France 8 Switzerland 7
Norway 9 Denmark 2
U.S. 8 South Korea 4
Draw 13
Canada 10 Sweden 6
China 9 South Korea 5
Germany 6 France 5
Scotland 7 Denmark 3
Draw 14, 9:30 p.m.
U.S. vs. China; Norway vs. Scotland; Germany vs. Switzerland; Czech Republic vs. Sweden.
Today's games
Draw 15, 10:30 a.m.
Scotland vs. France; **Canada** vs. China; South Korea vs. Sweden; Germany vs. Denmark.
Draw 16, 3:30 p.m.
Czech Republic vs. Germany; Sweden vs. Switzerland; China vs. Norway; Scotland vs. U.S.
Draw 17, 9:30 p.m.
South Korea vs. Switzerland; Denmark vs. Czech Republic; U.S. vs. France; Norway vs. **Canada.**

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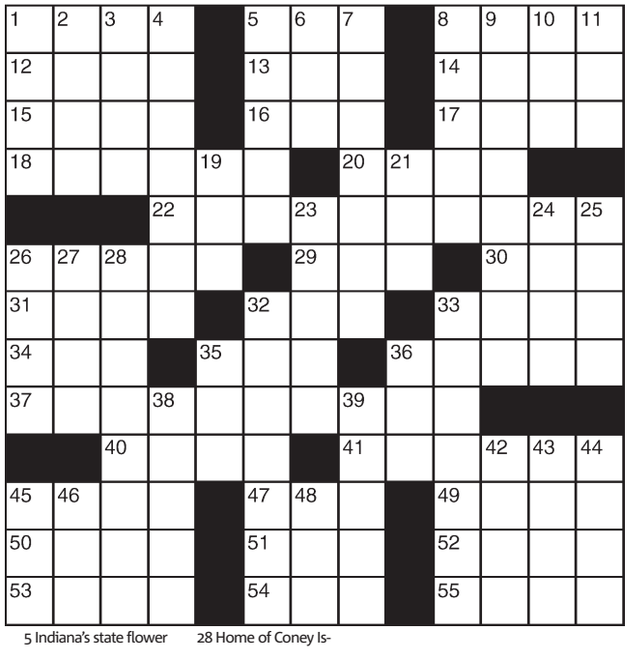

Across

1 Glaswegian girl
5 Without delay
8 Dumbfounds
12 Touch
13 — de Cologne
14 Infamous lyre player
15 Swerve
16 Harem room
17 Rainout cover
18 Reach
20 Ocean-going vessel
22 Scram
26 Turkic tongue
29 Mystery author Stout
30 Hoopsters' org.
31 Evergreens
32 Blossom-to-be
33 Londoner or Liverpudlian
34 Lennon's lady
35 "Holy cow!"
36 19th president
37 Eagles' assembly?
40 Recognize
41 Gave the same old story
45 Puncturing tools
47 Early bird?
49 Concept
50 Sauce source
51 Bambi's aunt
52 Really move
53 Shetland —
54 Sister
55 Sea flier

Down

1 Volcano outflow
2 Help a hood
3 Fat
4 Shoots from a plane
5 Indiana's state flower
6 Old man
7 Suppressed completely
8 Bit of tomfoolery
9 Arms
10 Blunder
11 Bribe
19 Sort
21 Whammy
23 "— words were never spoken"
24 Stage statuette
25 Butter servings
26 Venusian vessels?
27 Galvanizing stuff
28 Home of Coney Island
32 Intermediate to
33 Christen
35 Bygone muscle car
36 Weeding tool
38 Recant
39 Spleen or pancreas
42 Smell
43 Ponce de —
44 Knighted woman
45 Cleopatra's slayer
46 Court
48 Serengeti beast

▶ Yesterday's answer

Sudoku

	6		7	4	3		1	
9								8
		5				4		
4	1		6		7		8	3
				3				
8	7		5		2		4	9
		7				2		
6								1
	8		3	2	4		5	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

9	2	3	6	7	8	5	1	4
1	8	6	4	2	5	9	3	7
4	5	7	9	1	3	2	6	8
8	7	1	2	9	4	6	5	3
6	9	5	3	8	7	4	2	1
3	4	2	1	5	6	8	7	9
7	1	8	5	4	2	3	9	6
5	3	9	8	6	1	7	4	2
2	6	4	7	3	9	1	8	5

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A look at the weather

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Min -5° Max 5°	Min -6° Max 6°	Min -2° Max 11°

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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Put other people's needs ahead of your own today and be happy to do so. Self-sacrifice is good.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You have a talent for getting people to work together. It is a talent that will come in use.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Someone wiser will take you under his or her wing.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Someone you have clashed with is growing on you. In time, you two may become friends.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 A money matter that has been causing you problems will be resolved.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 An important relationship may have been a bit strained. With love, it will be easy make up.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Focus on reality and don't waste your precious time on wishful thinking. Be practical.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Creatively and romantically, this should be a good day but there's also some doubt.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Spend time with people you are close to emotionally.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You want to have fun, but duty is holding you back. Something needs to be done first.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You may have big ideas and big plans but how are you going to finance them?

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Get urgent tasks out of the way first — after that the day is your own. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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